

House Resolution 1122

By: Representatives Long of the 61st, Taylor of the 55th, Sinkfield of the 60th, Kaiser of the 59th, Lindsey of the 54th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Major Ernest Finley for his outstanding police service and inviting him to
2 appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Major Ernest Finley is a long-serving member of the Atlanta Police Department
4 and the current major supervising Zone Three of Atlanta; and

5 WHEREAS, Major Finley has acted above and beyond the call of duty exhibiting a strong
6 personal commitment to his community and the citizens of this state; and

7 WHEREAS, Major Finley has a distinguished record with the Atlanta Police Department and
8 has consistently exemplified the highest ideals of public service; and

9 WHEREAS, despite obstacles, Major Finley has persistently followed through to ensure the
10 success of many outstanding and effective public safety programs including: the creation of
11 the BAT CAR Program to respond to burglaries and thefts in a uniquely efficient manner and
12 to focus on canvassing residential neighborhoods; the Code Enforcement Program which has
13 not only helped to clear residential streets of abandoned and illegally parked vehicles but has
14 also built strong communication bridges with local residents; the Apartment Managers
15 Meetings Program to foster relations between law enforcement and high-risk residential
16 areas; the Discretionary Units team designated to work in "hot beat" areas to address high
17 incidents of violent crime; the Decoy Details which utilize undercover officers to combat
18 crime in high-risk areas; the Auto Theft Deterrent Car which is uniquely equipped to respond
19 to auto thefts in an efficient manner; and the Quick Response Bicycle Team, which is able
20 to respond in areas that are difficult for police vehicles to reach; and

21 WHEREAS, Major Finley has an amazing ability to turn limited resources into creative and
22 imaginative solutions to serious public safety problems; and

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24 WHEREAS, his determination and character have been reflected in his professional
25 performance throughout his police career and his high standards of conduct and achievement
26 serve as a model for all law enforcement officers and citizens of this state.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
28 the members of this body extend to Major Earnest Finley their sincere appreciation for his
29 courage, hard work, and dedication and commend him for his many contributions to public
30 safety and to the State of Georgia.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Major Earnest Finley is invited to appear before the
32 House of Representatives on such date and at such time as determined by the Speaker of the
33 House of Representatives.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Major Earnest Finley.